

Vocabulary 10; March 14<sup>th</sup>

Vocabulary Word	Definition	Sentence
1. <i>Pontificate</i>	V. Express one's opinions in a manner as if only your opinion was correct.	How dare Heather open her mouth to <b>pontificate</b> about my relationship with John when she knows nothing about it!
2. <i>Trepidation</i>	N. A feeling of fear or agitation about something that may happen.	Though the woman was filled with <b>trepidation</b> , she confronted her clown phobia face to face at the circus.
3. <i>Candor</i>	N. The state or quality of being frank, open, and sincere in speech or expression	Because the realtor was honest, she replied with <b>candor</b> about the damage to the house.
4. <i>Nonchalant</i>	Adj. Feeling or appearing casually calm and relaxed.	Although James is always stressed out about something, he comes across as <b>nonchalant</b> and without worries.
5. <i>Assiduous</i>	Adj. showing great care, attention, effort, and perseverance.	Rather than slacking off, remain <b>assiduous</b> and be amazed at how much you accomplish.
6. <i>Lethargic</i>	N. the quality or state of being drowsy and dull, listless and unenergetic, or indifferent and lazy; apathetic or sluggish inactivity.	Paige was often <b>lethargic</b> after a long day of working that she usually took long naps.
7. <i>Detrimental</i>	Adj. Tending to cause harm	My grandmother still does not own a microwave because she believes the radiation could be <b>detrimental</b> to her health.
8. <i>Perpetuate</i>	V. To make something continue.	If you yell at Jane, it will only <b>perpetuate</b> the argument.
9. <i>Confluence</i>	N. A coming or flowing together, meeting, or gathering	Our drive was perfect; we had a happy <b>confluence</b> of beautiful weather and great scenery.
10. <i>Egregious</i>	Adj. Outstandingly bad; shocking	The judge said it was the most <b>egregious</b> act he had ever seen!